SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 333

By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Madeline Daley Dew, 2013 Valedictorian of Heritage Christian Academy.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Madeline Daley Dew is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class at Heritage Christian Academy; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Madeline has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Dew has earned an exemplary grade point average while graciously dedicating her time and energies to numerous scholastic and extracurricular efforts, including serving as a member of Eta Sigma Alpha, the National Honor Society; Mu Eta Sigma, the National Mathematics Honor Society; the Heritage Christian Academy Honor Society; and the Tennessee Heat Golf Team; she also played competitive soccer for twelve years; and

WHEREAS, active in her community, Madeline has served as a volunteer through

Vanderbilt's Monroe Carell Children's Hospital Strive Program, as a math tutor at the Mt. Juliet

Mathnasium, and as a volunteer tutor with her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, she is an active and devout member of First Baptist Church in Mt. Juliet, which she serves faithfully as a student ministry participant; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Ms. Dew attended the 2012

Tennessee Governor's School of Science and Engineering; and

WHEREAS, in her free time, she enjoys working on puzzles, drawing, finding four-leaf clovers, and baking cupcakes; and

WHEREAS, Madeline's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at either the University of Tennessee at Knoxville or Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, one of which she plans to attend to pursue a degree in biological anthropology and mathematics; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Greg and Kelley Dew, her siblings, Samuel Levi and Haley Miller, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Madeline Dew's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2013 Heritage Christian Academy Valedictorian, Madeline Daley Dew, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.